

Toronto Varsity Blues on top — again

Beat Bears 3-2 Saturday

By BILL KANKEWITT
Gateway Sports Editor

The Blues are back on top. Sunday, at Varsity Arena, the power-packed University of Toronto Varsity Blues won the national intercollegiate hockey title by outlasting the Sir George Williams Georgians 4-2.

It was the Blues third title in the past four years and gave Coach Tom Watt's club a berth in the 1969 world university hockey championships. The tourney will be played in Tokyo, Japan.

Toronto's victory ended a one year domination of the national intercollegiate sports scene by the University of Alberta Golden Bears.

Last year Bears teams won national honors in football and hockey. This season the football team was unable to win its league—the basketball team did but failed to go far in the dominion play-offs.

On Saturday, the last hopes of the university were riding with the favoured hockey Bears in their semi-final match with the Blues.

Those hopes were soon dashed, as the high flying Easterners drove the Bears into hibernation by edging the defending champions 3-2.

The tournament opened Friday evening with two games.

In the first, Toronto breezed to an easy 6-3 victory over the Laurentian Voyageurs from Sudbury. The outcome was never in doubt.

Toronto opened up a 3-0 first period lead and coasted the rest of the way.

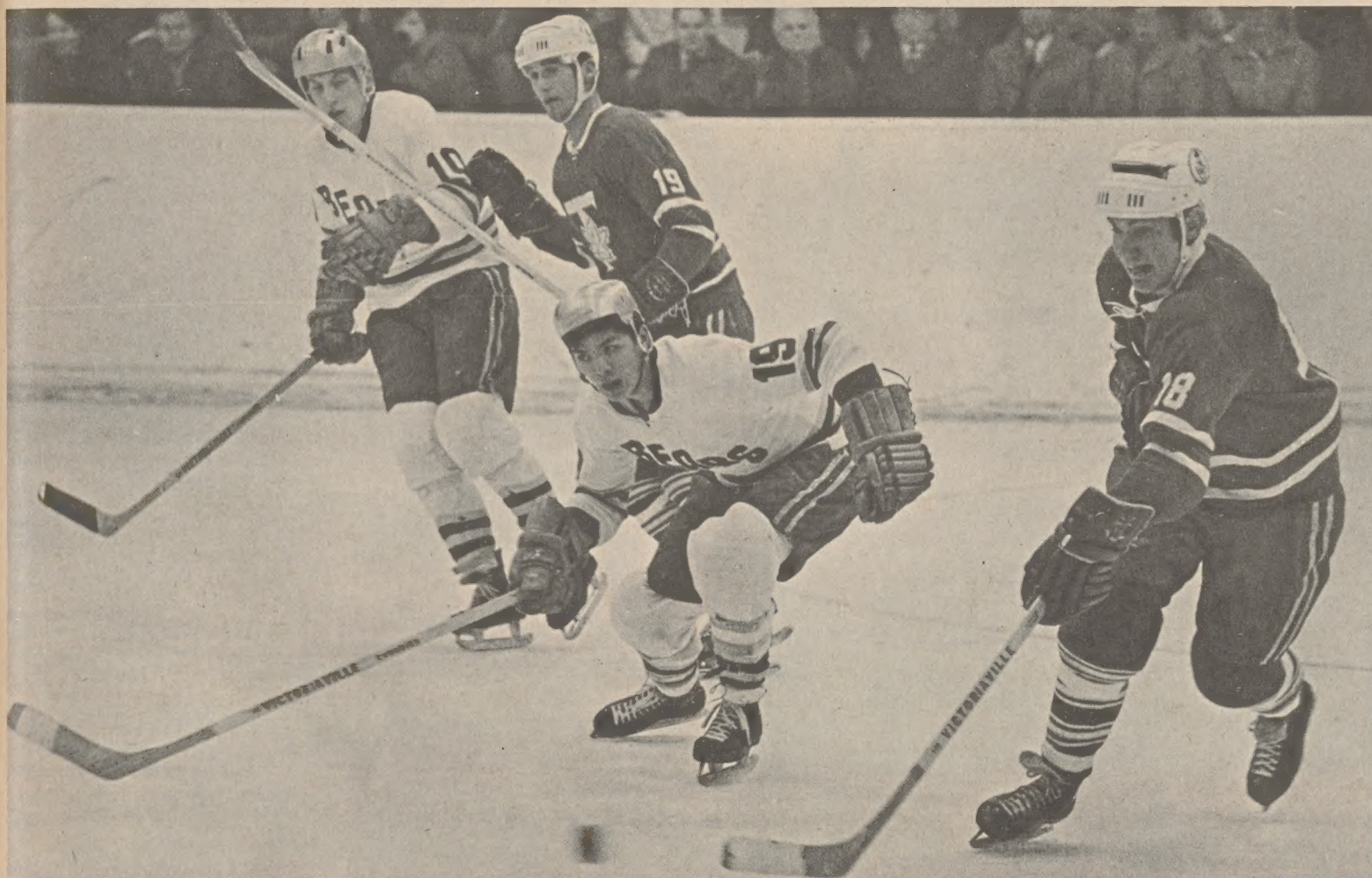
The second game was a real cliff-hanger.

St. Mary's Huskies of Halifax led the Sir George Williams Georgians until late in the third period. The Montreal club then showed strong finishing power as they whipped in three quick ones to win going away 5-3.

As far as Bear fans were concerned, the big game for them was Saturday afternoon. The Bears had the first round bye and were ready and waiting for the Toronto squad.

However they found out Toronto was just a bit more ready and not content to do as much waiting. Clare Drake's determined Bruins al-

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PARSONS ALMOST HAR-POONED—Left to right, Bill Clarke, Steve Monteith, Harvey Poon and Terry Parsons in full flight Saturday as the University of Toronto Varsity Blues beat the Bears 3-2 and went on to win the national hockey

championship here Sunday. Bears won the consolation round beating St. Mary's Huskies 5-3 Sunday morning. By winning the series, Blues have the right of represent Canada in the world student games at Tokyo, Japan next February.

Basketball Golden Bears finish fourth in national championships at Waterloo

By JOE CZAJKOWSKI

WATERLOO — Alberta's basketball squad finished fourth in the nation.

Over the weekend, the University of Windsor Lancers captured top honors in the three-day collision of the top college clubs in Canada.

Waterloo Lutheran Golden Hawks, defending champions, lost to Windsor in the final to finish second.

Loyola Warriors won the consolation event to take third and Acadia Axemen turned in the last-place performance among the five clubs.

The scene of the action, Waterloo University's phys ed building in Waterloo, Ont. was filled to near capacity (6,000 seats) for each contest.

The Golden Bears came into Waterloo unsure of where they stood with the other teams but nevertheless be-

lieving they could take it all.

It didn't work that way. The Bears were the tallest team in championship but didn't have the speed or the shooting accuracy of the Eastern clubs. Nor did they have the precision play of the Easterners.

Loyola dumped the Bears 72-61 in the tournament opener destroying any chance the Bears had of finishing on top of the heap. They were relegating to the consolation series. Windsor squeezed past Acadia 79-76 the same night despite a 37 point effort by Acadia's Brian Heany.

The next night saw Alberta meet Acadia and hand

the Nova Scotians their second loss in two days, this time 73-56.

Defending champion Waterloo Lutheran met Loyola later that night and had their hands full. Waterloo Lutheran trailed till just two minutes remained in the game, then went into a scoring spree to win 71-63.

This set the style for the final day of competition with Waterloo Lutheran meeting Windsor for the championship and Acadia playing Loyola again in the consolation final. Acadia was knocked out.

Loyola again proved to be superior to the Bears by grab-

Bears gymnasts are best in the country



FLYING HIGH—that's what the U of A gymnasts were doing on the weekend. Coach Geoff Elliot's squad swung and hurtled to national championship honours at Hamilton, Ontario. Competitors from

14 different campuses took part in the meet, but they were unable to keep up to Elliot's hotshots. The victory was the only national championship won by a U of A team this session.

—George Drohomirecki photo

Kelly's judo Bears win Kabuto cup for fourth straight year

Powell, Murray, Munawych and O'Brien lead team

By BOB SCHMIDT

For the fourth consecutive year the Kabuto trophy, emblematic of western intercollegiate judo supremacy has been returned to the U of A by the judo Bears.

Russell Powell in the featherweight division, Allan Murray in the lightweight division, Jim Munawych in the middleweight division, Ron Lappage in the light-heavy division and Daniel O'Brien in the heavyweight division won first places in the team competition.

In the individual championships Russell Powell won first place and Brian Dempsey won second place.

In the featherweight division. Allan Murray won first place in the lightweight division while Lorne Brooks came in third.

In the middleweight division George Dallas was second and Jim Munawych was third.

Ron Lappage won first place while Peter Bo-Lassen won third place in the light-heavy weight division. In the heavyweight division Daniel O'Brien won second place and Sidney Holzer third.

It must be noted here that none of the ten men on the team came in lower than third place. It was the second and third place

winners who wore down their opponents, that the other Bears were able to win first place. These second and third place finishers are as Kelly put it "the unsung heroes of the judo team."

Coach Ray Kelly was bursting with pride in his men who worked so hard all year to come up champions. The teams the Bears beat to win were from the universities of Calgary, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and Winnipeg.

In other meets against Calgary and Lethbridge as well as against other local clubs the Bears never won less than three out of five weight divisions.

The U of A intercollegiate team had approximately 30 members to practices. The competition was fierce for a position on the team and made a hard job of choosing a team for Coach Kelly and his assistants, Dr. Ted Akiyama and Mr. Leo Marinier.

Bill Gillespie handled the U of A Judo Club which included women as well as men. The intercollegiate team is strictly men. Gillespie teaches anyone interested in judo the basic techniques and his club act as a feeder to the intercollegiate team. This year the club membership was in the high forties.

Wrestlers win all — except title

By BOB SCHMIDT
Gateway Sports Writer

The University of Alberta Golden Bear wrestling team has completed a fairly successful year.

It was only fairly successful because the Bears won everything but the WCIAA championship.

Under the coaching reins of Doctor Bert Taylor, the Bears, in the course of the year, demolished teams from the universities of Calgary and Saskatchewan, the Calgary Combines, the Saskatchewan Institute of Technology, Eastern Washington State and NAIT. The Bears once again this year were the victors in the Annual Golden Bear Invitational Tournament.

The tournament, in its second year, is rapidly growing and gaining in popularity. It has become in two years one of the more important meets of the year for WCIAA teams. It brings the three powerful teams, Alberta, Calgary, and Saskatchewan into keen competition and is a way the respective teams can find out exactly what the others have.

FIRST TIME

For the first time, the Golden Bears ventured into the United States to meet American teams on the mats. The Bears went to Bozeman, Montana to fight the Big Sky Conference champions, Montana State.

On their second trip to the USA, the wrestling Bears, who knew better what to expect, did much better, defeating Spokane Community College and almost succeeded in defeating Whitworth College. On that trip Gonzaga University and the U of Idaho defeated the Bears.

With new moves learned on the two American trips the Bears prepared for the WCIAA championships in Vancouver. Things went bad from the weigh-in. Chris Gould, who would have almost assuredly won the title in his weight class misad making weight by two pounds.

FRIDAY NIGHT

Friday night two Bears, Glen Nelson and Bob Schmidt were eliminated from competition so that in the final round on Saturday the Bears only had seven men left in competition.

Three of these men, Karl Stark, Bill Jensen and Larry Speers won their respective weight championships, while Dave Duniec, Russ Rozylo, John Marchand and Henry Rosychuk won second place honors.

It was not enough, however, to beat the U of Saskatchewan who went on to win the WCIAA championships.

Stark, Jensen and Speers went to Montreal to fight in the first national collegiate championships late in February. Jensen won national honors in the 136.5 weight class but Speers and Stark were beaten.

GOOD YEAR

It was a very good year individually for four Bears. Larry Speers, Karl Stark, Bill Jensen and Russ Rozylo were nominated to the Canadian national team. Unfortunately, Rozylo, due to a heavy work load in engineering was not able to accompany Speers, Stark and Jensen to Argentina for the world championships.

Stark and Speers fought well in Buenos Aires winning their first round matches. Jensen met an Olympic runner-up from Japan and was soundly beaten. The three lost their next two matches to be eliminated.

Three of the Bears, Chris Gould, Jerry Saik, a j.v., and Bob Schmidt won gold medals in the provincial championships held last weekend in Calgary. Saik and Gould have subsequently been chosen to the Alberta team to compete next weekend in Guelph in the Canadian Open Championships.

Blues

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most staged a miraculous comeback but lost 3-2 (story on page 3)

In a consolation round game on Saturday night, St. Mary's managed to come out on the long end of a 10-9 scoreathon over the Voyageurs from the Sudbury.

Of little consolation to the disheartened Bears was the fact that Sunday morning they managed to nip the stubborn Maritime club 5-3 to take the consolation championship.

Most observers gave Sir George Williams little or no chance in their title match with Toronto. But the cinderella Montreal club had a few surprises up their jersey sleeves.

All season long they had been underdogs.

They had finished a poor fourth in the Quebec Conference over the season, but managed to stage two major upsets in the sudden death league play-offs to win conference honors.

On Friday they looked like a mediocre team when they managed to beat the battling but weak St. Mary's squad.

Toronto came away leading 1-0 after the first twenty minutes of play on Bob McClelland's goal at 17:14.

In the second period Toronto began to show the effects of their tough game with Alberta and slowed down considerably. This spurred the plucky Sir George team on but they were only able to manage a split in goals.

John Wright picked up the Toronto goal while Jim Webster ignited the spark under the pro-Georgian crowd.

The Blues managed to outscore Sir George 2-1 in the final frame but not before the determined Montreal club threw quite a scare their way. Len Burman and Wright notched the Big City markers with Phil Scheuer counting for the underdogs.

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Tournament goaltenders didn't suffer from lack of work



BLUES ADRIAN WATSON

... kicks aside a Bear drive



GEORGIAN TOM ANDERSON

... beaten in final game

Many had looked forward to the meeting

And Toronto proved to be the better team

BY BOB ANDERSON
Gateway Sportswriter

For the past two years, Canadian college hockey officials have been hoping for the day when Alberta

and Toronto would square off in the Dominion championships.

The two clubs, considered by many as the best in Canada, had last met three years ago in Sudbury, with the Blues winning 8-1.

Well, this past weekend, the officials got their wish, as the Bears and the Blues met Saturday afternoon before a packed Varsity Arena. And what a game it was, with the Easterners hanging on for

a tight 3-2 victory over the defending Canadian champs.

Clare Drake's Bears, representing the WCIAA, came out of the starting gate like a house afire and kept the fast-breaking Blues completely off balance with some heavy bodychecking. The Bears, who aren't usually noted for their hitting ability, thoroughly disrupted the Torontonians' style of play but were unable to score. The first period ended in a scoreless draw.

But for some reason, the locals stopped hitting in the second period and tried to play the Blues at their own game. Unfortunately, when it comes to skating and moving the puck out of danger the Blues have no peer as the Bears rudely found out.

Seven-year-veteran Steve Monteith shot the Easterners out in front just two minutes into the second session, converting John Wright's perfect centering pass from the corner. For Monteith, it was his second goal of the tournament.

Three minutes later, it was Monteith again on a backhand from 20 feet. Wright once more set up the play, relaying a pass from linemate Len Burman to Monteith alone in front of goalie Dale Halterman. The Blues were a man short at the time.

The Bears started a rally of their own, but Watson managed to shut the door, beating Milt Hohol and Gerry Braunberger of almost sure goals.

But Monteith continued his one-man show, completing his hat trick at 15:44. The flashy right winger took a Wright pass at the Alberta blueline, stickhandled in on Halterman and put three moves on him before depositing the puck in the cage. The period ended 3-0.

The Bears again reverted to their hitting game in the final frame, but it was a case of too little too late. The Blues went

into a defensive shell, quite content to just shoot the puck down the ice and out of danger. The Bears had their chances, but were denied by Watson in the Toronto net.

However, just as the 2,900 fans were starting to file out of the rink, the Bears came to life. Bill Clarke slipped a backhand past Watson at 14:15 and the locals were back in the contest. Don Falkenberg narrowed the gap to 3-2 just over a minute later and the Blues were seemingly on the run.

Falkenberg missed a glorious opportunity just second later, firing wide from close range. But that was as close as the Bears got, as the big clock ticked off the seconds. Halterman was lifted for a sixth attacker in the last minute, but the Blues held the fort.

Watson was steady in the Toronto goal and over the route blocked 31 Alberta drives. Halterman kept the Bears close, stopping 22 opposition trusts, many of them of the dangerous variety. The clubs divided 10 minor penalties.

For the Bears, the loss relegated them to the consolation final Sunday morning, while Toronto went on to meet Sir George Williams in the championship encounter later in the afternoon.

BEAR FACTS—The three stars of the contest were Monteith and Watson of the Blues and Tom Devaney of the Bears. Both Falkenberg and Monteith have brothers playing for Detroit Red Wings of the NHL—Hank Monteith and Bob Falkenberg. The Albertan's hitting game surprised a few people, but it was really the only way to play the smooth Easterners. Coach Tom Watt of the Blues was naturally pleased after it was all over. "They were the defending champs and we had to beat them to win this thing."



AW CU-MON REF—HE HIT ME FIRST

... pleads Bear forward Oliver Morris

In first game of the tourney

Loyola beats Alberta in a close one

By JOE CZAJKOWSKI

Alberta—61; Loyola—72

WATERLOO—Loyola downed Alberta 72-61 after a hard struggle Thursday on the opening day of the national basketball championship.

Most of the contest was a close struggle for supremacy but the game broke wide open in the final minutes.

Both clubs started slow and both suffered from nervousness. Loyola recovered first and built up a considerable lead before Alberta shook off the condition.

Alberta then charged back to narrow the gap to 35-33 at the half. Seven minutes into the second frame Alberta caught and passed Loyola only to lose the lead again a few minutes later.

John McAuliffe led Loyola with 26 points and Peter Phipps added 19. Dick Deklerk was the gunner for the Bears with 20 points and Bob Morris tallied 11.

Alberta shot 32% and Loyola 41%.

Alberta—73; Acadia—56

Alberta came out strong against Acadia and played their best game of the year.

After five minutes, the Bears were up 14-5. They used their height to advantage and never gave up the lead.

Unlike the previous night the Bears turned in a solid performance and held Brian Heaney, the championship's highest scorer, to but 16 points.

After the half, Bears were up to 37-27 and easily increased their margin in the final stanza.

Warren Champion led the Bears with 27 points. Dave Swann, Larry Nowak and Bobby Morris each hooped 10. Brian Heaney replied with 16 for Acadia and his brother Rich counted 15. Steve Pound added 11 for the losers.

Alberta shot an amazing 52% while Acadia managed 28% on shots mostly from far outside the strongly-defended Bear key.

Alberta—62; Loyola—76

After an exceptionally good game Friday the Bears came close to the opposite extreme Saturday.

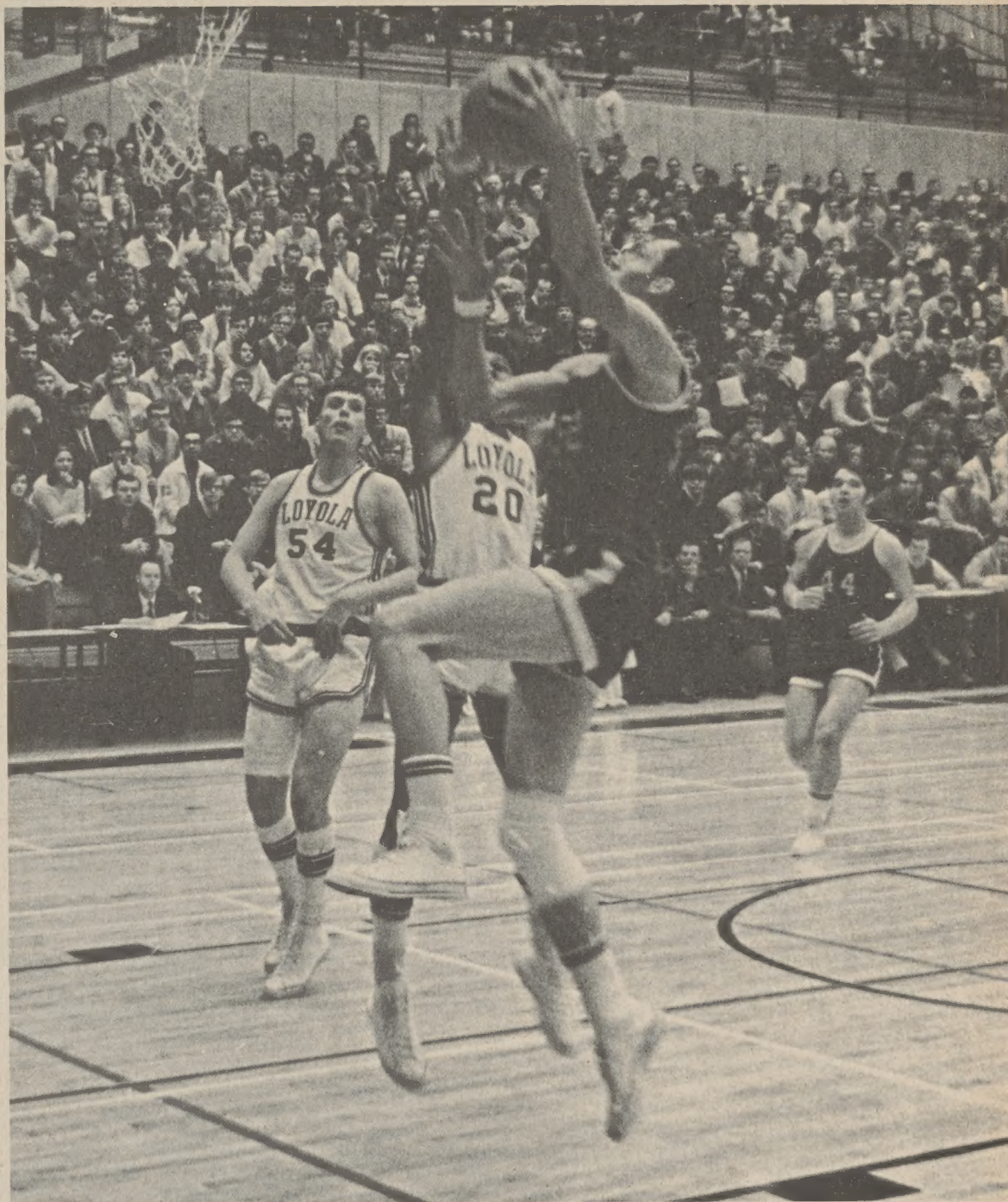
Their play was disorganized and the club was never in the contest.

Offensively the Bears did little right and although they put up many shots (87) few found their mark. Defensively, they gave up points almost without a struggle.

Loyola was out in front 44-31 at the middle point of the game and the Bears couldn't overcome this lead.

The Bears made 26 of 87 shots for a 30% shooting average while Loyola made 27 of 63 shots for 42%.

Deklerk was the big gun for the Bears swishing 27 points. Champion managed only eight. Phipps tallied 27 for Loyola and McAuliffe 23. Earl Lewis added 15.



—Photo by George Drohomirecki
BEAR FORWARD LARRY NOWAK GOES UP FOR TWO
... in a losing cause against Loyola

Basketball Golden Bears may lose up to three of this year's starters

Alberta Golden Bears should be strong again next season.

However, UBC will be back in the WCIAA in the fall and with Manitoba will probably be their main opponents.

Andy Skujins and Bryan Rakoz will be leaving the club as may Warren Champion. Ian Walker and Dave Swann, both in Medicine, may have to concentrate wholly on their studies.

There are possible replacements on the junior Bears though, especially in Paul Pomitlartz and Roger Taagood. Coach Barry Mitchelson doesn't discount the possibilities of picking up somebody straight out of high school either.

Dick Deklerk and Larry Nowak will be back with the Bears. Bob Morris and Al Melnychuk are also returning as are Dave Turner and Marcel de Leeuw.

Hockey tournament all-star team

The champion University of Toronto Varsity Blues earned three of the six positions on the tournament all-star team.

Laurentian, St. Mary's and Alberta had one player each on the team selected by Brian MacDonald, coach of the Alberta junior varsity, George Kingston, University

of Calgary coach, Terry Jones, Edmonton Journal sportswriter, Bob Hayes of Halifax and Ted Saunders of Sudbury.

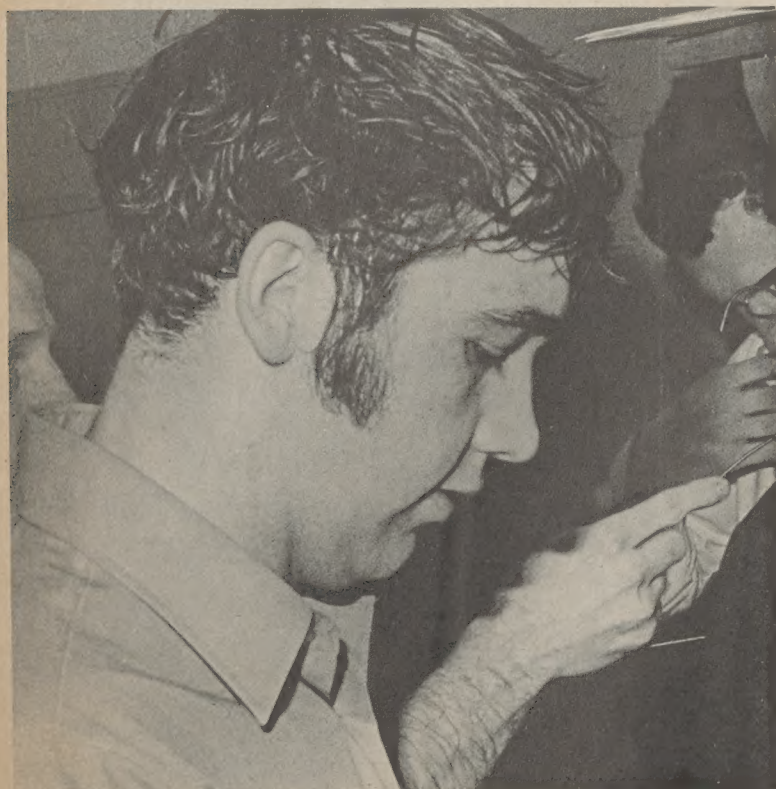
Toronto players named were Steve Monteith (right wing); John Wright (centre) and Adrian Watson in goal.

Mike Ballash of Alberta and Brian O'Byrne of St. Mary's were

named to the defence positions while Ron Dussiaume of Laurentian was the tourney's top scorer with eight points and won the left wing spot. Dussiaume scored four goals.

Each will be given a miniature trophy.

Wright of Toronto was named the tourney's most valuable player.



—Photo by George Drohomirecki
THE END OF A LONG SEASON

... Al Melnychuk a tired loser